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ndent Refinery, PITTSBURGH, PA.
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WEST PENN WILL SPEND \$100,000 ON ROLLING STOCK FOR SYSTEM.

Bids Are Now Being Received for 11 New Steel Cars Similar to Those Recently Purchased.

FOR USE ON THE MAIN LINE

It is Expected That Several of the New Cars Will Be Put in Service Between Uniontown and Greensburg—New Motor and Brake Equipment

Following its usual policy of being to the fore in having the best of everything, the West Penn Railways Company announced Tuesday that the construction of 11 new interurban cars of a type similar to those purchased a year ago has been authorized. Bids are now being received from the various car building plants for this order. As the same authorization carries with it the purchase of motor and brake equipment it will mean the expenditure of nearly \$100,000 for new rolling stock.

The new cars are to be of steel construction and will be among the largest cars used in this country on interurban trolley roads. The company already has several of these cars in operation, two on the main line and the others in the Brownsville division. They have given such universal satisfaction that the purchase of others was ordered.

It is expected that several of these cars will be placed in service on the main line between Uniontown and Greensburg. As soon as the cars can be built and equipped they will be put in service.

J. J. Driscoll Three Years Superintendent

J. J. Driscoll Monday celebrated his third anniversary as Superintendent of the Connelville division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. He was appointed to the position December 20, 1906, and since assuming charge of the division he has had but one change in his official duties. Monthly resigning to accept a more lucrative position in the West.

Since assuming charge of the division Mr. Driscoll has not had a single accident. The increase in business has resulted in many changes being necessary, one of which was the establishment of new division headquarters at the depot here and centralizing the work. There has also been a large increase in business on the division and freight tonnage records have soared.

Under his management overtime has been practically unknown and the few weeks when bad weather and a rush of traffic caused many crews to remain on duty longer than the regular time.

Further superintending duties have been left to him for the past 18 months after being taken over by Mr. Driscoll's completion of three years of his job and a full achievement. He started the job at 25 years of age and is now 40 years old. He is a native of Pennsylvania and has been in the railroad business since 1885.

BLOOD VESSEL BURST, DEATH COMES SUDDENLY

Friends Mourn Untimely Taking Off of Conductor Sam S. Miller of Fairhance.

Conductor Sam S. Miller of the Uniontown Express, a railroad man widely known and held in esteem by thousands of persons of the Pennsylvania railroad, died suddenly at his home in Fairhance, Pa., Tuesday morning, December 21, 1909. He was 45 years of age and had been in the service of the Pennsylvania railroad for 18 years.

Conductor Miller and off duty last Friday complaining of feeling ill. Yesterday afternoon he had a sudden attack of heart trouble and died almost before a physician could be summoned.

Mr. Miller leaves a wife and three children at Fairhance. He had been in the service of the Pennsylvania railroad nearly 20 years.

DIED IN WEST

Simon Lutsey of Rankve Called by Death in Arizona

OWNSVILLE, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Simon Lutsey, a well-known resident of Rankve, Arizona, died in that state Tuesday, December 21, 1909. He was 65 years of age and had been in the service of the Pennsylvania railroad for 18 years.

Mr. Lutsey was a native of Pennsylvania and had been in the service of the Pennsylvania railroad for 18 years. He was a well-known resident of Rankve, Arizona.

HOSE FOR BURN

Horse at Bull's Head Barns Hit in His Head

Spurs Frank Miller, the driver, conducted a trial at Bull's Head & Company's feed store when a horse was put to the test. The horse was a yearling and was very wild. It was put to the test by being driven over a fence and then over a wall. The horse was very wild and was very difficult to handle.

Young Girl Has Narrow Escape, Dress Took Fire

Helen McCullough, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McCullough, Carmele avenue, narrowly escaped burning to death Monday night as a result of her experience in a fire. She was at the home of her parents, Mrs. McCullough, at 111 and the child has been attending to small household duties. Last evening she was brushing the crumbs off the table and went to the stove to throw them in the stove. Her dress caught fire. Her screams brought to her assistance George Phillips, a roomer in the house who managed to extinguish the fire after having his hands severely burned. The girl was painfully burned about the face and neck. The most serious situation was the shock to Mrs. McCullough who heard the screams of the little girl.

BOOTLEGGERS CAUGHT AND PLACED IN JAIL

Had Been Supplying Man of Known Intemperate Habits With Booze at Uniontown.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 21.—Colfax Myers and Frank Worthington were jailed this morning by County Detective Alex McNeil. They will be given a hearing on charges of furnishing liquor to Phil Johnson, a person of intemperate habits. The case will be heard by Judge John Boyle.

James Collins, a Uniontown West Virginia man, was arrested last night for giving a 14-year-old boy a glass of beer in a local restaurant. The man claims the boy is his own son. The case will be heard by Judge John Boyle.

BREAK IN PIPE REPAIRED

In Every 24 Hours 50,000 Gallons of Water Wasted

OWNSVILLE, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The leak in the water line of the First Water Company, beneath the ash dump of the local works here, is now repaired after causing endless trouble in locating it. The leak had been in the water line for some time and had caused a great deal of trouble. The leak was finally located and repaired.

An Auto Garage Is To Be Built On Peach St.

Harry Starnoff of Greensburg was planning to build a garage on Peach street for the location of a large automobile garage. The property is owned by John F. Starnoff and the necessary papers have been made out.

Mr. Starnoff proposes to erect a garage that will be of brick and concrete. It will be a large building and will be used for the storage of automobiles.

TURKEYS SMOTHERED

Over Score of Drove of 250 Perish in a Wagon Shed

SUMMIT, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The drive of turkeys that were smothered in a wagon shed in Sumner, Pa., Tuesday, December 21, 1909. The turkeys were smothered in a wagon shed and died. The cause of the death was not known.

CHRISTMAS TURKEYS

Are Contracted for by Bovis Porter & Company

L. F. Bovis of Bovis, Porter & Company, a local firm, has contracted for the purchase of 250 turkeys for Christmas. The turkeys will be delivered to the firm by December 25, 1909.

CHILD AND BROWN ARM

Reverend Man Meets With Accident on his Side

MEYERSDALE, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—A reverend man was injured in an accident on his side. The accident occurred on December 21, 1909. The man was injured in an accident and was taken to the hospital.

Threaten Separate Borough

Residents of North Union Township Adjuncting Uniontown Threaten to petition for a separate borough

Federal Building to Be Under Contract By August Says Congressman Cooper.

Connellsville's new Federal building will probably be under contract by next August. The appropriation for its erection has already been made by Congress and the site secured. Congressman Allen F. Cooper, to whom credit is due for securing the appropriation, writes The Courier that work will be pushed on the building as quickly as possible.

Owing to the fact that the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department is about six months behind in the work that has accumulated, it will be impossible to get at the drawings for the Connellsville building before the first of April. It is expected, however, that the contract can be let by the beginning of August and will be started at once.

The new building will occupy the site at the corner of Apple and Arch streets which was purchased by the government more than a year ago.

A Brewery for the West Side, Tentative Plan Under Consideration.

Connellsville will in all probability get another brewery in the spring. The stockholders in the West Penn Cold Storage plant figured upon the project when they built the plant on the West Side, and since the absorption of the Youngbloods' Crystal Ice company the plan for making the building into a brewery is being tentatively considered.

The idea of the directors and stockholders who went in to the combine

of the two plants is to use the ice making machinery at the old plant on the West Side for ice purposes only. To the earnings of the present business the old plant's operation on this side could be added with slight expense and in the end the dividends would mean considerable. It is said that the husbands who are backing the movement had this in mind from the time that the plant on the West Side was constructed.

CRIMINAL COURT IN SOMERSET OVER.

December Session Closed on Saturday Before Judge Kooser.

Sheriff Departed on Monday With a Batch of Prisoners for the Penitentiary—Come Severe Penalties Were Handed Down by Court.

SENTENCES THAT WERE IMPOSED

SOMERSET, Dec. 21.—With the usual session of the Criminal Court in Somerset, Pa., Judge Kooser presided on Saturday. The court heard several cases and imposed sentences. The cases included charges of assault, battery, and other crimes.

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ALBERT WEIHE ELECTED AS TRUSTEE OF WEIHE ESTATE.

His Name Is Decided Upon Among the Heirs by Charles and Henry Weihe, Surviving Members.

CONDITIONS OF THE TRUST

Henry Weihe Turned Over Seven Pieces of Property, Proceeds to Be Divided Equally Every Three Months Among Six—Other Provisions.

Albert Weihe of Butler has been elected by the surviving trustees of the Weihe trust to succeed the late William Weihe as a trustee. The notice of this appointment was filed in Uniontown Tuesday with the deed of trust that was recorded there at the time of its formation in 1904. This trust regulates the Weihe estate under certain terms and provisions.

It was on April 1, 1904, that William Weihe turned over to the trust, composed of William Weihe and his two sons, Charles and Henry, seven pieces of property in exchange for \$1 and other valuable considerations. The parties of the second part turned over to the trust 267 shares of stock in the Monongahela Water Company, 50 shares of Sligo Iron & Steel Company and 20 shares of Pittsburg Safe Company.

The seven pieces of property turned over to the trust were as follows: Part No. 1, part of lot 102 on Main street, with a frontage of 33 feet on that street and 115 feet along Pittsburg street; No. 2, the southwest corner of the same lot on Main and Spring street; No. 3, the property at the corner of Pittsburg street and Church Place; No. 4, part of the same lot sold to William Weihe by S. H. D'Shane; No. 5, the property at the corner of Johnston avenue and Fayette street; No. 6, the property at the corner of Pittsburg street and Francis avenue; No. 7, the property on Francis avenue formerly owned by Samuel Freeman.

The trustees are required to keep in repair all the property under their control and to collect the rents and interest. They are to create a fund for the benefit of the estate not to exceed 5 per cent of the monthly income. This fund is never to exceed \$10,000.

The proceeds are to be distributed every three months equally among the following: William, Charles, Henry, Louis and Albert Weihe and Dorothea Weihe Bergman. In event of the death of William Weihe the balance is to be divided equally among his heirs.

Upon the death of a trustee the remaining members are to appoint another one. This trust is to be continued for three years after the death of William Weihe and can be renewed for another period of three years or dissolved, as the trustees may desire.

Before the death of William Weihe none of the property can be sold but after his death it can be sold with the consent of the majority of the trustees. The deed of trust was recorded August 2, 1904.

William Weihe died last Friday and his successor has been appointed on the board of trustees. The trust will continue for three years before the estate can be closed finally and may be continued for another three years.

WHITE FILES DEFENSE IN SUIT AGAINST HIM

Brought By The School Directors of Saltlick Township For Close to \$200.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 16.—C. M. White, treasurer of the Saltlick township school board, puts up a spirited legal defense to the suit of the school directors seeking to set aside the final settlement and recover funds alleged to have been paid him on fraudulent orders.

The school directors entered suit for \$137.75, contending that the settlement should be declared void because of fraud. The final audit of White's accounts was made on June 8, 1908, and afterwards the school board claimed to have discovered irregularities. It was charged that an order in favor of Roy Henry, for \$225 was paid by White and then presented to the audit and White credited with \$40. Orders in favor of W. W. Eshard, Ray Fletcher, Joseph Adams and J. H. Craig, for \$50 each, and credit given the treasurer for such amounts.

White in his latest statement denies that he or any one else, changed the orders, advising that all the orders he presented to the audit on June 8, 1908, were for the exact amounts he paid on the said orders.

He denies that notice was served on him within 30 days after the audit of June 8, 1908, declaring that at this late date, he declares that the account cannot legally be opened and in-refore the directors are bound by the settlement already made and cannot recover under any circumstances.

To Oversee Ship Work. P. J. Sullivan and J. E. Hefferty, two expert railroad men, are in Conneltsville to oversee work in the Conneltsville shops of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. Following the strike and the difficulties incident thereto, with the release of a large number of mechanics, it became necessary to place experienced men in the shops.

Laborers Men Re-Elected. George F. Tilton and Robert F. Sample, Uniontown hotel men, have been re-elected president and secretary, respectively, of the Pennsylvania Hotel Men's Association.

PETITION ANSWERED

In Lorenzo Nicol Case by the Title & Trust Company.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 17.—In the estate of Lorenzo Nicol, late of Conneltsville, the Title & Trust Company of Western Pennsylvania has answered the petition for a citation to show cause why letters of administration granted to them should not be revoked. Petition for the citation was filed by Francesco Nicol, who signed a paper renouncing his right to serve as administrator, and later denied that he knew the contents of the paper when he signed it.

The trust company contends that he was fully aware of the nature of the paper to which he placed his signature and that, since the Register and Recorder used his lawful discretion in making the appointment, he now has no authority to revoke the same.

STATE TO PROBE TELEPHONE RATES.

The State Railroad Commission Will Start Investigation to Bring About Reform.

A state-wide investigation of telephone rates is shortly to be undertaken by the State Railroad Commission, with a view to the enactment of a law that will bring about needed reforms and require uniformity of rates throughout Pennsylvania.

This investigation will be undertaken under the terms of a resolution of the last Legislature, approved by Governor Stuart, May 12, last setting forth that great differences exist in telephone rates in various parts of the State, and that in some places they are so high as to be almost prohibitive.

The railroad commission is directed to set about an inquiry immediately, and to include in its report the conditions found in every city, borough and township. As this will involve a tremendous amount of work, it is expected that the investigation will soon be started, in order that the report may be ready for the next legislature, together with a bill to bring about the needed reforms, as provided for in the resolution.

The inquiry doubtless will go into the subject of recent consolidations of telephone companies, by means of which the control of all the lines in Pennsylvania have passed into the hands of outside companies, with headquarters in New York city.

A year or more ago the Pennsylvania Telephone Company, operating the Bell system throughout interior Pennsylvania, and the Bell Telephone Company of Philadelphia were combined in the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania. Three or four months ago the stock of the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania was purchased by the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, with headquarters in New York, the same company which has since absorbed the Western Union Telegraph Company.

No Bell lines in Pennsylvania remain even nominally outside of this combine except the Central District & Printing Telegraph Company of Pittsburgh, and it is reported that this, too, will shortly be absorbed into the New York owned Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania.

Virtually all the independent lines in Pennsylvania were merged a year or more ago into the American Union Telephone Company, with headquarters in Harrisburg, and two weeks ago came the announcement that this had been taken into a big combination of independent lines under the name of the Continental Telephone Company, with headquarters likewise in New York.

The fact that but one more consolidation will be necessary to wipe out all the competition that exists in Pennsylvania will doubtless be considered by the commission, and also the question whether new laws are needed to protect the Pennsylvania public from rates imposed by the foreign corporations that already control both the Bell and the independent systems from one end of the State to the other.

Under the act of 1907, creating it, the railroad commission has full authority to demand to see all books, papers, contracts and other documents of common carrier corporations doing business in Pennsylvania. The investigation, therefore, is likely to be of the most searching character.

MAY SETTLE CASE.

Was Result of an Injunction Suit at Ohio.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 17.—Negotiations were in progress Thursday for a settlement of the equity suit of J. P. Holt and H. T. Holt against Cyrus Show, all parties living at Ohio, Pa. The Hols sought to restrain Show from interfering with the disposition of 63,000 feet of lumber, ownership of which was disputed. The hearing was set for Thursday, but continued pending a settlement.

Viewers Named.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 14.—In the case of the Monongahela Railroad against Katy Ann Miller, the court Monday appointed William Thompson, George L. Moore, C. J. McCormick, Thomas B. Shuman, Jesse Frost, L. C. Waggoner and B. C. Strickler as viewers.

Argument Court December 27. Argument court has been fixed for Monday, December 27, at which time the list will be called.

LIVE FARMERS ABOUT SCOTSDALE.

A Score Meet to Arrange for Their Coming Institute.

AT PETERSON COLLEGE HALL

Scottdale Institutes Gather Larger Crowds It Is Said Than All Other Similar Assemblages in Westmoreland County.

SCOTSDALE, Dec. 16.—Nearly a score of the farmers of this locality gathered at the Kriemer House last night for the purpose of making up a program for the combined local and State Farmers' Institute to be held here on Monday and Tuesday, January 24 and 25, 1910. Edward Werkmen, president and W. C. Myers was Secretary and a very interesting program was made up. The State did not see its way clear to give a regular institute at Scottdale this year as they are spreading the work to other localities, where the great interest in institutes that this community evinces has not yet been attained. In previous institutes the attendance at Scottdale alone has been greater in numbers than all the other institutes held in Westmoreland county. With such an interest Scottdale determined to hold their own institute and the State concluded that it would be worth while to send two of their lecturers here. So the State will be represented by F. H. Fassett, of Moshannon, Wyoming county, and J. T. Campbell of Harrisburg, Crawford county. The program was made up as follows and is particularly interesting in that it contains the names of several men of this community who have been successful in many lines, and whose experience in the light of their being right here at home should be profitable to other farmers who live here. That's the way, too, that the State's lecturers are developed.

The opening session will be held on Monday afternoon, January 24, at 1:30 o'clock, opening with an invocation. George B. Shape of town is scheduled to make the address of welcome, and J. R. Truxall of Greensburg, the response. "Poultry, Breeds and Breeding," by Mr. Campbell follows, and "The Possibilities of Apples in Pennsylvania," by Mr. Fassett. Then Cyrus Glans of Mt. Pleasant, a successful corn grower, will talk on that phase of farming. The session at 7:30 that evening will be opened by Rev. D. W. Michael, pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Scottdale, on "Three Elements of a Farmer's Success." Mr. Fassett will lecture on "Spraying and Marketing Fruit," and Mr. Campbell will lecture on a subject of vital importance at this time, "Profitable Egg Production," his lecture being illustrated.

Tuesday morning's session will open at 9 o'clock, with Mr. Campbell's lecture "Feeding and Care of Little Chickens." James B. Frests, a large fruit grower, will tell "How I Manage My Orchard." Mr. Frests owns the largest and best type of power spraying machine in the county. L. L. Hough of near Reagantown is scheduled for a talk on "Successful Potato Growing," a subject that he is well versed in. Fred Jones, the lecturer of Pomona Grange, is scheduled for a talk on "Clovers and Other Grasses."

Farmers Hear State Experts Talk On Agriculture at Mill Run Institute.

MILL RUN, Dec. 11.—The Farmers' Institute held under the auspices of the State Department of Agriculture at this place December 10th and 11th was well attended although the mercury took a sudden drop when almost reached the zero point.

Officers and speakers were promptly on hand Wednesday afternoon at 1:30. Invocation was pronounced by Rev. F. S. Workman, pastor of the church. Farmer A. B. Kern then made a glowing address of welcome which was responded to by H. W. Northup of Luzerne county, in an able manner. He paid great tribute to the welcome accorded and entertainment thus far received. E. L. Phillips of Clarion county took up the subject, "How to Buy Commercial Fertilizer and How to Use It," which was forcibly and ably handled for 40 minutes. County Chairman F. H. Smith then gave some interesting points on culture of fruit and vegetables, which was followed by W. F. Campbell of Crawford county, on permanent pastures, maintenance and improvement of the same. Adjournment until 7:30 was then taken when the house was filled to its full capacity.

After music by the choir "I Love to Tell the Story," Mrs. Sarah B. F. Zeigler of Perry county, spoke on "Our Country Home." She held the audience spellbound throughout the entire time. She was followed by H. W. Northup of Luzerne county, who gave a lengthy talk on the pleasant side of country home. Mr. Northup is well fitted for the occasion and the audience enjoyed 40 minutes of merriment. A lengthy discussion of matters was followed by adjournment until Thursday morning at 9:30.

After music by the choir E. L. Phillips again took the floor and in a 30-

CONVICTED MAN DIES IN JAIL FROM THE DELIRIUM TREMENS.

Henry Durst, Well Known Somerset Liveryman, Found Guilty of Receiving Stolen Turkeys, the Victim.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The Births Just Twice Number of Deaths Last Month.

According to the records in the office of Registrar of Vital Statistics George B. Brown, forwarded to the State Health Department the population of the district increased just half during the month of November. The births totalled 56 and the deaths 28. They were divided as follows:

	Births	Deaths
Connellsville	37	17
Ballston Township	5	9
Connellsville Township	14	2
Total	56	28

HUMBERT LONG FILES HIS ANSWER

Shows Cause Why He Should Not Be Required to File Bond as Executor.

TESTATOR KNEW ALL THE FACTS

Expressed Wish That Humbert Long Should Act in Capacity of Executor Without Bond—Denies He Is Incompetent to Serve.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 16.—Humbert Long of Scottdale, through Attorney R. S. Matthews, this morning filed an answer to the rule issued upon him to show cause why he should not furnish bond as executor of the estate of Samuel N. Long late of Conneltsville. It was charged that Humbert Long is not a resident of Fayette county, that he owns but little property and that he is incompetent, and that he is incompetent.

In the answer, Long sets forth that he is advised that non-residence in the county is no bar and would have no effect upon the matter, that his property is only slightly encumbered, but valued at \$2,500 and mortgaged to the extent of \$500 and that he is fully competent to act without furnishing bond.

He sets forth that it was the expressed wish and wish of the testator, the late Samuel N. Long, that he act as executor of the estate without giving bond.

Another chapter in the long drama of litigation in the estate of the late Dr. Smith of Uniontown, is closed by the decision of the Superior Court at Philadelphia, dismissing the appeal of Elizabeth M. Fisher, at the costs of the appellant.

Jenkins Field for Court. William Jenkins of Flatwoods, prosecuted on a statutory charge by Laura Woods has his trial set for March court after a hearing before Justice David Butler. Jenkins gave \$500 bail for appearance. The girl is under 16 years of age.

Need a New Postmaster. A rich service examination for a new postmaster at McConnelsville will be held on January 22.

Look for Applications. The limit for longer applications in Washington county is January 2.

Investigating Mystery. Officers are investigating the mystery of a year old infant found dead in an abandoned mine near Greensburg. It is claimed a man and woman left the baby in the mine five weeks ago. At that time the child was alive.

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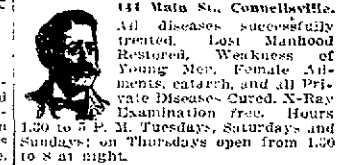
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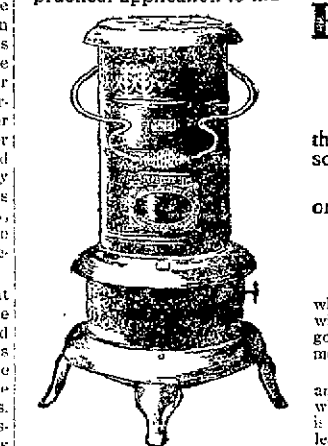
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HERD BOTTOM MAY BECOME SITE OF MONSTER INDUSTRIAL PLANT.

Promoters Representing Big Car Company Negotiating for Ground on Which to Erect Plant to Employ 4,000 Men.

COMPANY WANTS 80 ACRES

Herd Bottom and the Guiler Plots Are Ones Under Consideration at the Present Time—Deal on For Old Auto Works.

Industrial progress has struck Connelville with a rush. It is known that representatives of a large pressed steel car company are negotiating with Washington Herd for 80 acres of the famous Herd bottoms at Fayette. The Chamber of Commerce is interested in the deal and has been handling the local end. The price offered for the tract, it is said, is \$12,000. The Herd heirs are not disposed to give up this tract for that amount.

The plant, it is stated, will employ 4,000 men and would make a small town of its own. Holders of adjoining property would derive big profit from the sale of lots. The Guiler property adjoins the proposed location of the car wheel plant. If the plant would be located on the Guiler property the Herd heirs would get the benefit. If the plant should be located on the Herd property, the greater benefit would go to the Guiler property, because of the location of building ground. During the past week the matter has been up frequently. The names of those promoting the deal have not been given out locally.

Washington Herd, who represents the Herd heirs, is not disposed to give out any information about the matter and only says: "Oh, well, we have had a whole lot of offers for the old Bottom, but we want to see the money." He did not deny that the Bottom was for sale and that negotiations for the sale were on.

Another quiet deal that is in progress is one for the sale of the old Baldwin Automobile Works, which Owen Murphy purchased at Sheriff's sale. Murphy is silent and so are the men who want to secure it. G. O. DeVaughn, of Spokane, Washington, and J. L. Cohagen, of Washington, Pa., arrived in Connelville early this week and have been going over the plant. The only information they vouchered about their business was that they want to get hold of the place for a "little manufacturing plant." Mr. Cohagen is still in Connelville. All that Mr. Murphy has to say about the automobile works is that it is for sale. The old automobile works is an ideal place for a small manufacturing plant and would help in the uplift of the community much in an industrial way.

FRICK COKE FIELD AT OUTPUT LIMIT?

Steel Corporation Replacing Connelville Ovens With By-Product Plants Near Mills.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 16.—A morning paper prints the following story of interest in the Connelville coke region: "Girard O. has been selected by the United States Steel Corporation as the site for its first by-product coking plant in Ohio. The corporation has decided also not to build additional coke ovens in the Connelville region. These developments are taken to mean that the Frick Coke Company has reached its maximum output. As the Connelville ovens go out they will be replaced by by-product plants contiguous to the furnaces of the steel corporation. The corporation is operating a by-product plant now at Joliet, Ill., and a second one is being built at Gary.

Joseph G. Butler, President of the Bessemer Pig Iron Association, who is close to the Steel corporation interests, states the building of the coking plant in connection with the Ohio steel plant at Youngstown, as well as several additional furnaces, were projected for that district by the Carnegie Steel Company. Mr. Butler asserted that the Carnegie company's plans call for a total of 36 merchant mills at Girard, although only six of these are to be constructed immediately, and that eventually the bar mills at Youngstown and Greenville, Pa., as well as those at the Upper and Lower Union mills, Pittsburg, will be assembled at Girard."

RAILROAD MAY BUY BIG COAL PROPERTIES

Rumored That Western Maryland Will Take Over Pittsburg Coal Company's Plants.

Reports have been circulated for several days, that interests prominent in the Pittsburg district. High officials of a number of the big trunk lines and allied financial interests are having heard the report. Local officials of the Wabash-Pittsburg Terminal railroad and other Gould representatives in Pittsburg state positively that they know nothing of such a deal.

Men in a position to know do not take the report seriously. It is pointed out that the Pennsylvania and the New York Central, jointly, were reported to have secured an option on the holdings of the Pittsburg Coal Company about two years ago. It is admitted that negotiations for such a deal were pending some time ago, but were declared off.

It is stated the same interests which figured in the reorganization of the Western Maryland will take an important part in the reorganization of the Gould roads. Announcement to that effect is expected at any time.

WANT THE LAKE ERIE UP AT MORGANTOWN

Business Men Pass Through on Way For Conference With Officials in Pittsburg.

A delegation of business men from Morgantown, W. Va., passed through Connelville Thursday on No. 3 on their way to Pittsburg for a conference with Colonel J. M. Schoonmaker, Vice President of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad. They wish to have the Buckhannon & Northern railroad, controlled by the Pittsburg & Lake Erie, extended to that place. Among the delegates was Dr. I. C. White, State Geologist; Dr. A. M. Buchanan, Postmaster A. C. Posten, Congressman George C. Sturgiss and Harvey R. Warfield.

Residents of Morgantown some time ago held a hearing for the purpose of inducing a steel car plant with an initial capacity of 40 cars a day, to locate there. The company in which Pittsburg capitalists are interested agreed to erect the plant provided sufficient railroad facilities were assured. The object of the conference in Pittsburg today is to have the Lake Erie extend its line. It is believed officials of the railroad will consider the proposition favorably.

INSURANCE REBATING.

The Charge Made Against an Agent in Uniontown.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 17.—The arrest of J. T. Cuppett, well known Uniontown insurance agent, charged with violating insurance laws, marks the first prosecution of its kind ever made in Fayette county, or elsewhere, and the outcome of the case will be watched with interest by companies and policy holders everywhere. Cuppett is charged with violating the rebate law which makes it unlawful for an insurance agent to give any rebate or any inducement whatever other than that named in the policy, to secure policies for any company. He was arrested shortly before noon, Thursday, by Constable George Thomas, and gave \$300 bail for a hearing before Justice John Boyle, on Thursday, December 22. He is alleged to have issued an insurance policy to Floyd Reamans and allowed a rebate on the same.

BIG COAL PURCHASE.

Pittsburg-Buffalo Company Gets Entrance Into West Virginia Fields.

One of the most important transactions in West Virginia coal property closed by the entrance of the Pittsburg-Buffalo Company into the Buckhannon section of the Fairmont district. The move places the corporation in position to compete with West Virginia coal operators and meet them on their ground in the long-fought battle for control of the trade in the northwest.

The property consists of 2,446 acres of excellent coal, for which the Pittsburg-Buffalo company paid \$290 an acre, or a total of \$800,240. An important development brought out by the sale of the property shows the rapid rise in the price of large bodies of coal in that section, the Brackenville tract having been offered last year at \$115 an acre.

BRIDGE OVER MONONGAHELA.

Pennsylvania Company Getting Estimates for 800-foot Structure.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 17.—Pennsylvania railroad officials are having estimates made on the cost of a double track bridge over the Monongahela river at the end of the Brownsville yards. The structure will be entirely steel, 800 feet long and will connect the West Brownsville junction of the Monongahela division with the Brownsville junction of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie. It will be about 50 feet north of the present single track bridge.

No Money For Hospital.

The Somerset Grand Jury in session last week by a majority vote disapproved of the plan to erect a new county hospital for the insane. There is no money in the treasury available for the hospital.

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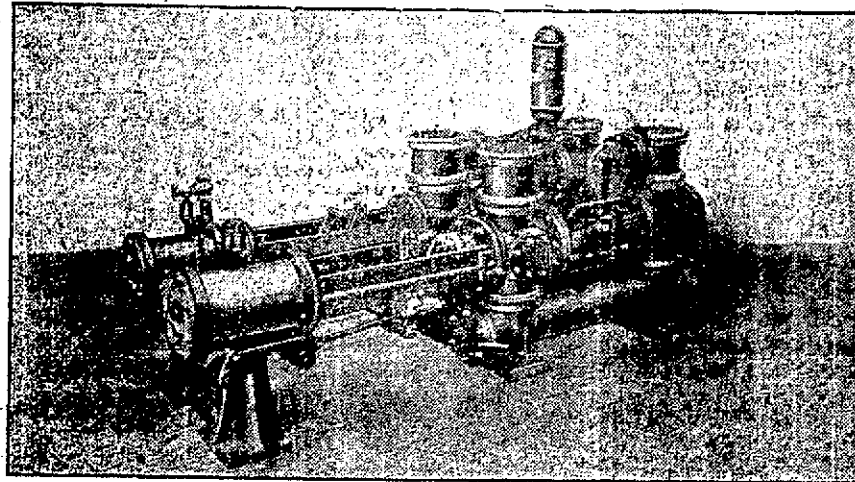
Yards Blocked With Freight Tonnage, The Motive Power All Out on Runs.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad tracks were blocked from Connelville to Jiron Ford Thursday with east bound freight. Every engine in the company's service, numbering 175, running out of Connelville, was in service. The majority of them were at New Castle, on the Fairmont Branch and between Connelville and Cumberland. Crews were called for the regular runs this morning, but the motive power was lacking. W. O. Schoonover, chief clerk to Superintendent J. J. Driscoll, remarked that the motive power was short, but the business being handled was enormous. Within a few days he said the company would receive at least 110 new engines which would help out considerably. A big cargo of coke started east this morning, but it got stranded in the Connelville yards. The westward shipments of through freight were also heavier than usual and these piled up between Connelville and Broad Ford. A larger number of crews than ever before on a pay day have been called for this afternoon and evening and hundreds of cars are due to pass east that evening.

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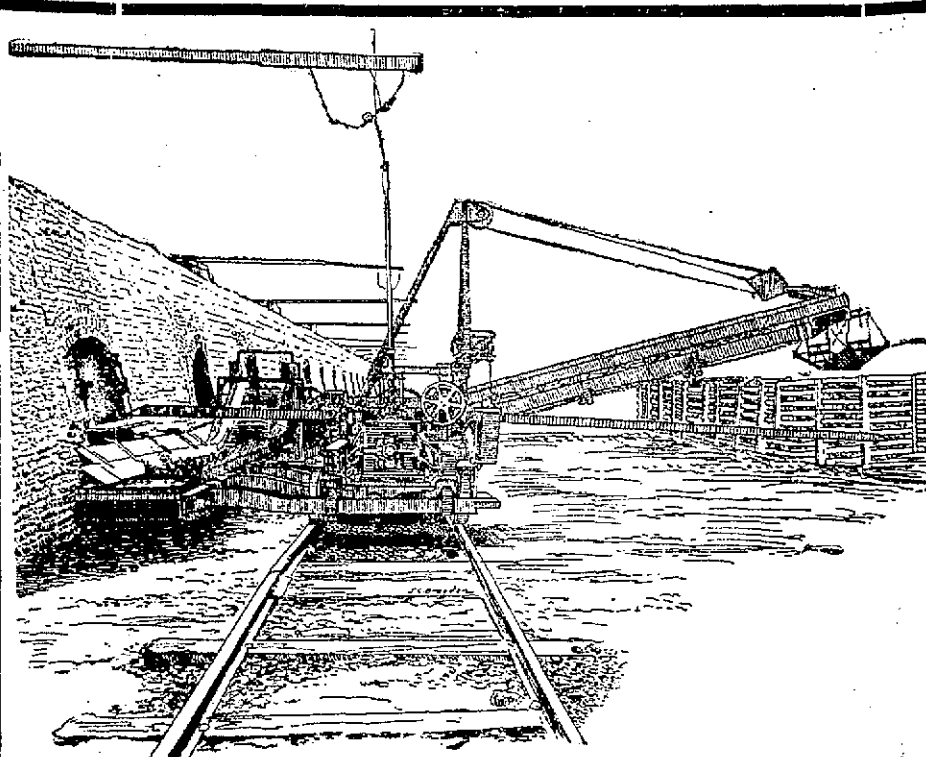


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